(a) whether it is a fact that Ind-expo-exhibition 90 in Mauritius proved to be a great success;

(b) if so, what is the value and quantity of the business generated through this exhibition;

(c) what are the plans to organise such exhibition in other countries; and

(d) whether original handicrafts workers will also be associated in these exhibitions ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per reports of participants received, the value of business generated amounted to Rs. 15 crores.

(c) Trade Fair Authority of India is organising an Indian Exhibition at Manila (Phillippines) in January, 1991. In 1991-92, TFAI proposes to organise Indian Exhibition in Moscow and Mexico.

(d) No, Sir.

Closed Textile Mills in Metropolitan Cities of India

3532. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of closed textiles mills in the organised sector in Bombay, Delhi, Madras and Calcutta;

(b) what is the amount invested by the nationalised banks and other financial institutions on these mills; and

(c) whether Government propose to dispose of the assets of these mills to recover the dues of the banks and other Central financial institutions ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) As on 30-6-90, 9 cotton/man-made fibre textile mills were lying closed in Bombay, 1 cotton/man-made fibre textile mill was lying closed in Delhi and 1 cotton/man-made fibre textile mill was lying closed in Calcutta. No. cotton/man-made fibre textile mill was lying closed in Madras on 30-6-90.

(b) This information is not maintained centrally.

(c) Banks and financial institutions can themselves file liquidation proceedings in the appropriate counts for recovery of their dues from closed textile mills.

Mineral Deposits in Maharashtra

3533. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether some mineral deposits have been detected in Maharashtra by the Geological Survey of India; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the minerals likely to be explored in Maharashtra in the next two years ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW & JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI) : (a) and (b) The minerals investigated and assessed by Geological Survey of India (GSI) in Maharashtra are Copper ore, Zinc ore, Tungsten ore, Iron ore, Manganese ore, Bauxite, Sillimanite, Kyanite, Barytes, Coal and Limestone. In the next two years GSI propose to undertake preliminary mineral investigations for the following :—

	Minerals/Ores	Districts
(1)	Base Metals (Copper Lead-Zinc), Tungsten and gold	Nagpur and Bhandara
(2)	Platinum Group of Elements (PGE)	Bhandara and Gadchiroli
(3)	Base Metals	Thane
(4)	Nickel and chromium	Sindhudurg